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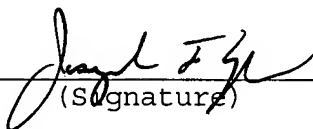
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Amendment

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2003.
This Amendment is being filed within the fourth month after issuance of
the Office Action and is accompanied by a Petition for a One Month
Extension of Time, in triplicate.

All fees required by these papers may be charged to Deposit Account 12-1295. Inasmuch as there are fewer than 20 claims presented for examination and less than 3 independent claims, it is respectfully submitted that the additional claims do not require the payment of any additional fees.